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RE: Docket #98P-0203/CP

To whom it may concern:

We are writing to urge you to **grant the petition to ban forced molting**. Forced molting is cruel to the animals and increases the likelihood of the spread of Salmonella enteritidis infections. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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